

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Maine
COUNTY:	Penobscot
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ENTRY DATE	SEP 20 1973

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1. NAME

COMMON:
Nathaniel Treat/House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
114 Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Orono

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
2nd: Hon. William Cohen

STATE	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
Maine	23	Penobscot	019

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
George A. & Alyce D. Prescott

STREET AND NUMBER:
114 Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Orono

STATE:
Maine

CODE:
23

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Penobscot County Courthouse, Registry of Deeds

STREET AND NUMBER:
Hammond Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Bangor

STATE:
Maine

CODE:
23

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
None

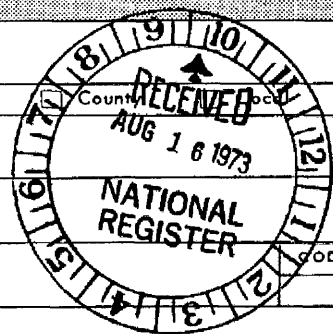
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:

STATE:



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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Nathaniel Treat House, built during the 1830's, represents a transitional phase between the Federal and Greek Revival styles. It is one of the several fine examples of 19th century architecture located on the main street of Orono.

The original iron grille fence separates the sidewalk from the 120' frontage of the lot.

The exterior of the house is well balanced. Four chimneys, two centered on each gable end, are built as part of the brick walls. A portico with balustrade, supported by fluted Doric columns and pilasters, is centered in the front. In a recessed doorway, two sidelights flank a wide, paneled door above which is a shuttered fanlight circling a leaded glass fanlight.

The windows on the first two floors are recessed and have granite lintels and sills. The gable ends above the second story are of white horizontal planks and each end has two, two-sash windows. A dentil decorated boxed cornice extends around the house at the level of the second story ceiling.

On the south side of the house is an open porch, the roof of which is supported by Doric columns. From the porch, there is a side entrance to a clapboard ell addition.

Two other additions, neither of which is visible from the street, were made to the rear of the house about 1912. First: a glass enclosed, one-story porch was added which can be entered from the drawing room, the dining room (originally the kitchen) and the present kitchen in the ell. Its beamed roof is supported by Doric columns. Second: the rear roof was raised to accommodate one large dormer with six standard windows and one large picture window.

A garage is situated at the end of a driveway about thirty feet from the southeast corner of the house. On either side of both front and rear doorways is a pilaster and boxed cornices with dentils extend around the garage. The garage is of red clapboard except for white horizontal planks over the doorways.

The main entrance of the house opens into a hall featuring a delicate flying staircase against a curved wall. Hand tooled woodwork around the doors and windows varies in design from room to room throughout the house. Other significant original woodwork includes the paneling beneath the windows, the Indian shutters and the low dado in the dining room. Six of the eight original fireplaces are operable. The fireplace wall in the original kitchen is paneled and incorporates a minister's closet. This fireplace once contained a dutch oven.

(See Continuation Sheet)?

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian | 16th Century | 18th Century | 20th Century
 15th Century | 17th Century | 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1830's

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Nathaniel Treat, who was to become one of the most prominent mill owners and lumbermen in the area, was born in Frankfort, Maine, December 29, 1798. About 1829, he came to Orono with his young wife, Mary Parker, whom he had married two years earlier. Here he erected a sawmill on Treat and Bennoch dam (called the Treat mill) and built this house where he was to reside for almost thirty years (until 1857).

During this period, he and his younger brother, Joseph, built other sawmills along the Stillwater River. With Andrew Webster, he acquired extensive land holdings. The land which includes much of the towns of Old Town and Orono was known as Treat and Webster Island; and a dam in the Stillwater River, Treat and Webster dam.

Nathaniel Treat was much interested in civic affairs. He served as first selectman of Orono for many years. He also represented Orono in the State Legislature in 1834. He was the second president of the Stillwater Canal Bank which was incorporated March 31, 1835.

In 1924, the house was acquired by Isabel R. Dunn, wife of Charles J. Dunn, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Maine from 1918-35 and Chief Justice from 1935-39. During the twenty-five years of the Dunn's residence in the house, it gained considerable prominence as a meeting place of high officials. Because of Judge Dunn's occupancy, the house is still often referred to as the Dunn House by some of the older residents of Orono.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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Sprague, J. F. Memoir of Joshua Treat. Bangor: Benjamin A. Burr, Printer, 1889.

Webster, Maud Bartlett. Orono, A Brief History of the Town from Its Early Settlement to the Present Time. 1909-10, 1919.

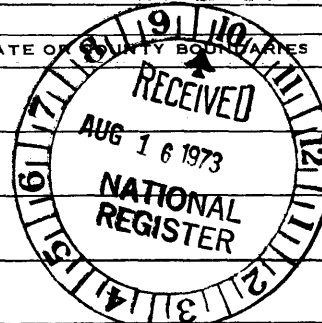
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	0 0 0	0 0 0				
SE	0 0 0	0 0 0				
SW	0 0 0	0 0 0				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 1 Acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
George A. Prescott

ORGANIZATION _____ DATE 3/23/73

STREET AND NUMBER:
114 Main Street

CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE Maine CODE 23
Orono

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name James H. Mundy

Title State Historic Pres Officer

Date August 13, 1973

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert W. Kelly
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 9/20/73

ATTEST:
W. W. [Signature]
Keeper of The National Register

Date 9 19 73

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